

AVENA SATIVA. 26899. Algerian oat. From Pretoria, Transvaal, South Africa. Presented by Mr. I. B. P. Evans. "Oats suffer very considerably with us from rust, and this variety is practically the only one that shows immunity to the pest." (Evans.) For distribution later.

BERBERIS SP. 26686. From hills near Sebastopol, Crimea. A barberry growing in rocky cliffs, in gullies and on stony mountain sides. Has very large spines, but is ornamental. Good ornamental garden shrub in mild-wintered regions. (Meyer's Introduction.)

BRASSICA PEKINENSIS. 26783. Presented by Mr. Maurice de Vilmorin, Paris, thru Mr. Walter T. Swingle. Seeds of Chinese Pe tsai which I got from Abbe Martin, Gau pin koey who says: "I tried your improved Pe tsai but prefer the strain of this province. Instead of extending many leaves this one makes a very white and tender head. It should be sown at the same time as lettuce etc., but much closer. It is peculiarly good after the first hoarfrosts." (Vilmorin.) For distribution later.

BROMELIA. 26896. From Panama. Presented by Mr. Henry F. Schultz. "A small plant which may have some value as a fiber producer. It is armed with sharp, recurved spines and the leaves stand up straight 11-14 feet high. The mother plant grows on the property of the Boston Panama Co. on rubber land - semi-wild trees." (Schultz.) For distribution later.

CARPINUS BELUTUS. 26878. From near Sebastopol, Crimea. "This well known shrub, growing into medium-sized trees occasionally, is found in abundance on the hills and mountains of Crimea where it withstands heat and drought remarkably well on very sterile mountain sides." (Meyer's Introduction)

CERCIS SILIQUASTRUM. 26684. From near Kirikinesh, Crimea. "The so-called Judas tree; a red-bud of the Southern European and North African regions. Highly ornamental; when planted in good locality grows 26-30 feet high." (Meyer's Introduction.)